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Record 200 Hear Debate At Cabinet

By BOB FRANKLIN
Collegian City Editor

A record crowd of nearly 200 students and members of the faculty and administration showed up at last night's All-University Cabinet meeting on the ROTC question.

The attendance was greater than at any other Cabinet meeting in several years. The 4-hour session, which finally was adjourned about 11 p.m., was held in 121 Sparks instead of the usual Cabinet meeting place, 203 Hetzel Union.

Most of the faculty members, 12 of whom attended by invitation, had something to say.

The heads of the three military programs broke the silence they have kept on their own opinions since the ROTC question arose. All three came out for a compulsory program.

Four speeches brought applause from the audience. All four speeches were delivered by proponents of voluntary ROTC—Dr. Neal Riemer, associate professor of political science; Dr. John E. Pixton, assistant professor of history; James Stratton, president of the Mineral Industries Student Council, and Robert Nurock, president of the Liberal Arts Student Council.

Discussion on the question of compulsory versus voluntary ROTC, which took up most of the 4-hour meeting time, ranged from the humorous to the deadly serious.

Col. Arthur W. Kogstad, head of the Army ROTC detachment, referred to "Dean (of Men Frank J.) Simes' Evacuation Chamber" as the place through which students pass who will not tolerate discipline of any kind.

Edward Dubbs, editor of The Daily Collegian, at one point of complicated discussion interjected, "I think I can clear this up."

Analogies flew thick and fast. All-University Secretary-Treasurer Joseph Boehret, referring to the ROTC program, said, "If you have a tree with a sick branch, you don't cut the branch off, but give it medication."

All-University Vice President John Rhodes drew an analogy with picking steaks out of a herd of cattle.

LA Seniors Scheduled For LaVie Photographs

Seniors in the College of the Liberal Arts may have their LaVie pictures taken until Tuesday at the Penn State Photo Shop.

Pictures taken after this date cannot be included in the yearbook.



—Collegian Photo by George Harrison

RONALD WEITZ, Dorothy Ostwind, and Sally Swing in a scene from the Players' production of "Apollo of Belac."

Players Will Open Double Bill Tonight

A dual-bill—Gian-Carlo Menotti's Christmas opera "Amahl and the Night Visitors" and Jean Giraudoux' one-act fantasy "The Apollo of Bellac"—will be presented at 8 tonight, tomorrow and Saturday in Schwab Auditorium.

Players and the Departments of Art, Music and Theatre Arts will present the production.

The musical director of the production is Raymond H. Brown, assistant professor of music. Robert D. Reifsnider, associate professor of theatre arts, is handling the dramatic directorial chores. He designed the settings and Russell G. Whaley, assistant professor of theatre arts, designed the costumes.

"Amahl and the Night Visitors" originally was commissioned by the NBC Opera Theatre and was first performed Christmas 1951.

This musical drama has proved to be Menotti's most popular work. The story centers about a poor boy, his mother and their royal visitors who arrive in the dark of a cool and still night. The boy, although a cripple, feels that he should offer a gift to the child whose star is shining in the East.

Kenneth Wareham, 11, son of Elmer C. Wareham, instructor in music, will sing the part of Amahl, and Mary Jane West will sing the part of the mother. The three kings will be portrayed by Rodney Felix, Theodore Pauloski

and William Reeves while Paul Wenhold will play the page.

Susan Mort, Barry Gordon, Joyce Basch and Jack Evans will dance in the "neighbor scene."

Members of the chorus are: Richard Powers, John Patane, Peggie Harris, Erika Mares, Phyllis Newmark, Caroline Sklar, Bode Bender, Mary Lou Becker, Dorothy Query.

Sylvia Guyer, Susan Morrison, Carlene Rarick, Carolyn Goodfellow, David Yocum, Graeme Cowen, Warren Cassel, Howard Weisz and John Manno.

Robert Campbell and Christine and Gunther Gamble will be the children in the chorus.

"The Apollo of Bellac" is a satire about a young girl who finds flattery the best way to influence people. Players presented a play by Giraudoux last season—"The Madwoman of Chaillot."

Members of the cast are Sally Swing, Agnes; Dorothy Ostwind, Therese; Richard Mazza, the clerk; Barry Gordon, a man; Derek Swire, vice president; William Schrufer, Mr. Crasheton; Brad Caran, Mr. Lepadura; Henry Schirmaeher, Mr. Rasemutte; Rod

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Cabinet Postpones Debate, Sets Up ROTC Committee

By DAVE FINEMAN and LYNN WARD

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After four hours of unresolved debate, All-University Cabinet last night postponed decision on compulsory ROTC until Dec. 12.

Agreeing on a need for further study, Cabinet called for a 5-man committee to study the pros and cons of the question and present a factual report before next week's meeting.

The debate centered around a report presented to Cabinet by Robert Nurock, Liberal Arts Student Council president, as a substitute "to substantiate with evidence the ideas" presented in the original council resolution.

As debate developed, it became evident that persons on both sides of the compulsory ROTC issue based their arguments on three points:

- The best program for national defense.
- The most beneficial program for the student.
- The most valuable program for furthering the University's educational objectives.

Proponents of non-compulsory ROTC maintained that a voluntary program would provide just as many and better officers as a compulsory program, while the

Probations Asked for 3 By Tribunal

Joseph Kravit, junior in arts and letters from New Brunswick, N.J., has been recommended for disciplinary probation by Tribunal for insulting a borough police officer over a loud speaker.

Tribunal on Tuesday also recommended a warning for Peter Duncan, sophomore in counselling from Malvern, who was connected with the same offense.

Tribunal members said Kravit directed the insulting remarks at an officer who was directing traffic at College Avenue and Pugh Street after the West Virginia football game Nov. 2.

Kravit maintained that he only broadcast one remark and that it was not directed at the officer. Both students said they had no intention of insulting anyone.

The loud speaker was set in Duncan's room where the two had been studying before the incident.

Kravit and Duncan paid fines of \$21.50 each after a hearing before Justice of the Peace Guy B. Mills on a disorderly conduct charge.

Tribunal also recommended of-fice probation until June for a sophomore in counselling and a sophomore in mechanical engineering for drinking beer at the University dump.

No action was taken on a freshman in mechanical engineering who was with the two sophomores but who they said was not drinking.

The disciplinary probation will be reviewed tomorrow by the subcommittee on discipline of the Senate committee on student affairs. The warning and the office probations were accepted by the dean of men's office.

Student Support Asked For Xmas Toy Drive

Students have been asked to collect toys or games for the Kappa Sigma toy drive.

The fraternity will pick up and repair the toys and deliver them to worthy children's organizations in the area.

WSGA to Meet Today

The Women's Student Government Association House of Representatives will meet at 12:30 p.m. today in 217 Hetzel Union to further discuss plans for the WSGA clothing drive, which is now being held.

ROLL CALL VOTE ROTC Question

1. To Consider new LA report
2. To delete Sec. II-A-2
3. To postpone

Name	Position	1.	2.	3.
Rhodes	All-U VP	N	Y	Y
Boehret	All-U S-T	N	N	Y
Hart	IFC	Y	Y	N
Morrin	AIM	Y	Y	N
Smith	WSGA	N	N	Y
Antes	Panhel	Y	N	Y
Jablonski	Leonides	N	N	Y
Hollander	Sc. Class	N	N	Y
Sellers	Jr. Class	Y	N	Y
Ott	Eng. Class	Y	N	Y
Thompson	Fresh Class	Y	N	Y
Reaty	Ag	N	Y	Y
Walker	BusAd	Y	N	Y
McDonnell	Chem-Phys	Y	N	Y
Paynter	Ed	Y	N	Y
Stroup	Eng-Arch	Y	N	Y
Moran	HomeEc	Y	N	Y
Nurock	LA	Y	N	Y
Stratton	MI	Y	N	Y
Ruslavage	PhysEd	Y	N	Y
Dubbs	Collegian	Y	N	Y
Fridly	Drama	Y	N	Y
Johnston	AA	Y	N	Y
Drumm	WRA	N	N	Y
Totals		14-8	4-20	18-6

*alternate

other side held the opposite view.

Nurock: Voluntary ROTC will enable those graduating with commissions to receive a better and more concentrated education and will enable them to better serve their country."

Colonel Orin H. Wrigley, head of the Air Force ROTC department: "Compulsory ROTC provides us with better officers, since we have many more men from which we can select the best qualified." As an example, he said "Penn State Air Force ROTC cadets in summer camp habitually stand head and shoulders above others."

Nurock: "As to numbers, Texas A&M, which switched to a voluntary program in 1955, has had 60 per cent of its students volunteer for ROTC. Texas has a tradition for being the number one state in volunteering for military service. Texas may be first, but Pennsylvania is second in that

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'Bugs', Weather Spoil 'Moon' Test

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla., Dec 4 (AP)—Mechanical "bugs" and cold, gusty winds spoiled the U.S. effort to shoot the satellite packing Vanguard rocket into space tonight.

Hours of tense waiting for the blastoff came to a disappointing end at 10:40 p.m. EST when word came that the firing had been "scrubbed."

Zero hour for the shot originally was set for 4 p.m., then came one postponement after another and finally the decision to put off until another time the attempt to put an American "moon" into the skies with the Russian Sputnik.

John P. Hagen, director of the satellite project, said at Washing-

ton it will be known by tomorrow when the test firing may be held. Hagen said a series of minor technical adjustments had forced postponement.

He said it was necessary to unload the liquid oxygen fuel and to unload and load would require several hours.

To unload and then reload the fuel tanks would "push test crews to a fatigue point considered dangerous to the success of the test," the Defense Department said.

The crew preparing the Vanguard for its journey into the world's thin outer atmosphere was plagued by mechanical difficulties and by 25 mile an hour winds lashing the Florida beaches.

It was learned unofficially that replacement of one defective part in the rocket's intricate mechan-

ism had taken up two hours of time. Then, less than an hour before—zero, other troubles popped up.

"Additionally, upper air winds are becoming unfavorable. It will be known by tomorrow when the test will be resumed."

The countdown toward zero started at 5 a.m. Scheduled for 11 hours, the count would have ended in a blastoff at 4 p.m., if all had gone well in preparing the 22,000 pound rocket for its flight.

The job of checking the myriads of rocket parts progressed smoothly until 2 p.m., then the first "hold" in the count was called by the rocket crew.

Thereafter, one delay after another was reported until finally the shooting became decidedly indefinite.

Lion Predicts Cold Weather

"Some like it, some don't. I don't," the Nittany Lion murmured as he grouchy wiped the remains of a snowball off his face.

"This dirty stuff will be around for the next couple of days too," he sighed. "It's only supposed to be between 30-34 today."

"And to make matters worse," he added, "more snow flurries are expected for today."

"Ah, cruel damp world," he cried out just as he was seen slipping in front of Old Main.

WHAT???

Only 15 DAYS to shop in State College?